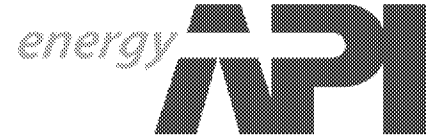


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WASHINGTON, October 5, 2017 – API President and CEO Jack Gerard welcomed President Trump's nomination of Andrew Wheeler to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

"Andrew Wheeler will bring a wealth of valuable career experience to EPA. From his work on federal regulatory and legislative issues both on and off Capitol Hill, Andrew knows how important smart, science-based regulations are to the growth of the American economy, creating American jobs, and protecting our environment. Further, Andrew understands the important role that natural gas and oil play in the daily life of Americans across the nation from powering homes and schools to making life-saving medical devices.

"Andrew and I have known and worked with each other for several years. He will be a great addition to Administrator Pruitt and the highly qualified team he has assembled at EPA. We look forward to working with Andrew in his new role on policies that continue our nation's global leadership in the production of oil and natural gas and in the reduction of carbon emissions."

API is the only national trade association representing all facets of the oil and natural gas industry, which supports 10.3 million U.S. jobs and nearly 8 percent of the U.S. economy. API's more than 625 members include large integrated companies, as well as exploration and production, refining, marketing, pipeline, and marine businesses, and service and supply firms. They provide most of the nation's energy and are backed by a growing grassroots movement of more than 40 million Americans.

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